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DISTRESSED UNIT APPEAL BOARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT MAY 4, 2018

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the emergency management of Gary Community School Corporation and Muncie Community Schools and actions of the Distressed Unit Appeal Board ("DUAB") executive director since the last Executive Director's Report on April 12, 2018. The information below should not be considered complete documentation of all actions taken by the emergency managers, as the statements below highlight only specific actions taken by the emergency managers and meetings held in the timeframe covered by this report.

Gary Community School Corporation ("GCSC")

- The emergency management team held a Community Advisory Group meeting on April 13, which included discussions on how best to reach students and parents as well as plans for the school property.
- The emergency management team and members of GCSC met with the Gary legislative delegation on April 23 to provide a status update and address their questions.
- A meeting of the Fiscal Management Board was held on April 26, with the emergency management team providing an update on financial progress and next steps.
- The emergency management team has been holding online auctions of surplus equipment, netting \$4,300 and \$13,175 for GCSC in two recent auctions. The next auction will be May 10, 2018.
- Waiver of Report Deadline Based on discussions with the emergency management team, a waiver has been provided to two report deadlines outlined in the original contract Geographic Boundaries Report and Governance Report. The new deadline is November 15, 2018.

Muncie Community Schools ("MCS")

- MCS has hired a Transportation Coordinator. They are also in discussions with the Muncie Indiana Transit System (MITS) on the potential transportation of middle school students.
- The emergency management team has taken the lease option with Ball State University to allow Northside Middle School to remain open during the 2018-2019 school year.
- The emergency management team has agreed to relocate certain technical equipment from Muncie Area Career Center to a City facility. This will allow the equipment to be utilized by MCS students the 2018-2019 school year through a partnership with Purdue Polytechnic. MCS maintains ownership and can look to explore offering their own classes in future years.
- Contract Approvals Pursuant to DUAB Resolution 2017-1:
 - Equitable Education Solutions for Professional Development Services at Southside Middle School - \$61,500
 - Funding being provided by a 2017-2018 School Improvement Grant.